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- (a) (1) Reasonable transaction and closing costs incurred by the acquiring entity shall be included in the rate making rate base of the acquiring entity.
- (2) Fees paid to utility valuation experts may be included in the transaction and closing costs associated with acquisition by the acquiring entity.
- (3) Unless the Commission finds just cause to authorize additional fees, fees eligible for inclusion may not exceed 5% of the fair market value of the selling utility or \$50,000 if the actual fees paid exceed 5% of the fair market value.
- (b) As of the closing date of the acquisition, the rate making rate base of the selling utility, including additions under subsection (a) of this section, shall be the lesser of:
- (1) the purchase price negotiated by the acquiring entity and selling utility; or
 - (2) the fair market value of the selling utility.

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